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 25X1A Purchasing Commission

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- 25X1A 1. [REDACTED] the Yugoslav Purchasing Commission in Vienna purchased 1,223,524 kilograms of metal products, including construction steel, tool steel, polished steel, high speed tool steel (Werkzeugstahl) from Boehlerwerke* for about \$1,500,000. [REDACTED] 25X1A
- 25X1A 2. [REDACTED] the Yugoslav Purchasing Commission received from the Ministry of Heavy Industry, Belgrade, a list of items for purchase before 1 September. The list includes heavy sheet iron, boiler plate, corrugated sheet iron, marine plate, bridge construction parts, and armor plate; the total weight is 2,239 tons. [REDACTED] estimates that the purchase cost, if made on the black market, would be about 4,500,000 schillings. According to Kronic, General Director of Technopromet Belgrade, this raw material is urgently needed to maintain production at a number of Yugoslav factories after 1 September. Kronic is travelling to Milan [REDACTED] where he intends to purchase a duplicate amount of the same items. 25X1A
- 25X1A 3. [REDACTED] two Yugoslav engineers in Vienna requested the Commission to purchase cast iron and steel urgently needed by their firm, Rade Koncar, Zagreb. The engineers furnished the Commission approximately 200 blue prints and specifications for items critically needed by the Yugoslav electrical and automotive industries, as a result of the cancellation of Yugoslav-Czech and Yugoslav Polish commercial agreements. The Commission has arranged to purchase \$13,000 worth of iron castings for Rade Koncar from Huette Liezen GmbH.
4. To date, Haselgruber has delivered 3,200 tons of marine plate at 1.80 schillings per kilo fob Tarvisio.**
- 25X1A 5. [REDACTED] concerning Yugoslav purchases from Mannesmann-Trauzl, [REDACTED] the Commission purchased two complete oil boring rigs at \$427,000 which were delivered in early 1949. An additional contract was made for four complete oil boring rigs and a large quantity of spare parts at \$1,759,789. The Commission has paid 12,340,172 schillings. Mannesmann-Trauzl has delivered four rigs valued at 6,751,148 schillings. Spare parts, valued at 5,283,024 schillings have not yet been delivered to the Yugoslavs.***

 25X1A [REDACTED] Comment: The full name of this firm is Boehler Gebr. & Co. A.G.
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Comment: The schilling value of the four rigs plus the schilling value of the spare parts, is 12,034,172 schillings. This is not identical with the amount of schillings which the Yugoslav Purchasing Commission has allegedly paid, (12,340,172 schillings), although the digits seem to be merely interchanged.

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